

MARTIN and MARTIN DALES

PARISH COUNCIL

These are the minutes of the Martin and Martin Dales Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd September 2020 and will not be agreed until the next meeting of the Council.

Public Session - 1 Parishioner Present

Parish Issues Raised:

MATES

The Parishioner referred to the recent report and questioned whether the response from the Council in the early stages could have been different.

Agreed: Council to review the Emergency Plan in light of the Covid 19 Pandemic

Present: Cllrs. R. Millband, D. Busby, G. Charles, S. Barrie W. Jenkins and the Clerk

1. Apologies

Cllrs Attwell Kendrick and Ogden

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Minutes of the last meeting held in 28th July 2020

Minutes agreed as correct.

All agreed

4. County and District Councillors' Remarks

Councillors not present but available for contact if needed.

5. Highways/Planning

5.1 Highways

Cllr. Charles reported on the progress of the B1189 speed reduction proposals. This is a great result for the Council and the Parishioners/businesses affected.

Agreed: Any future progress to be reported when it is received.

Speeding along the road through the village in the early hours was also discussed and possible action for the future.

Agreed: In the first instance, Cllr. Jenkins to meet with Dyson/TNT to see if some agreement can be reached on the speed drivers come through the village at this time.

5.2 Planning

There haven't been any new applications.

Agreed:

Signed:

6. Parish Items

6.1 Playpark

A lengthy and detailed discussion took place considering the challenges of future maintenance and possible developments for the park. This included the impact of future financing for ongoing repairs etc.

Agreed: Clerk to look back in the original bid to clarify any conditions attached to the original grant.

Cllr. Jenkins to order 9 tonnes of top soil to the value of approximately £200 to improve the condition of some of the park.

Proposed: Cllr. Millband

Seconded: Cllr. Charles

All agreed

6.2 SID

Agreed: The quote received and others to be considered by the Finance Group to present proposals to the full Council.

6.3 Grounds Maintenance

Agreed: Current arrangements to continue and to be reviewed at the end of the season.

Clerk to contact Highways to request the cutting of the hedge between Moor Lane and Whyatt Close 'no man's land' that is cut by Highways.

6.4 Farming Tenancies

Agreed: Cllr. Jenkins to contact 3rd Party experts to review current documentation and values to ensure clarity for the future.

All Agreed

6.5 Land Registry

Agreed: Cllr. Jenkins to continue to progress ensuring that all Council land is properly recorded with the Land Registry.

6.6 Phone Box

Agreed: Work to continue on the phone box.

6.7 Footpaths

Agreed: The Parish Council to formally write to the Footpaths Officer requesting that the footpaths are signed from the Highway and to clarify who is responsible for repairing the bridge.

6.8 Community Champions

The Clerk reported that MATES has reached the final short list and result should be available at the next meeting.

Agreed:

Signed:

6.9 Martin Dales Village Hall/School

Agreed: Cllr. Busby to look into clarifying the current position with regard to the Trustees and any formal documentation relating to the hall which was originally a garage. The aim of the enquiry is simply to clarify the situation with regard to the building.

7. Clerk's Update

7.1.1 Finance – Statement Balance of Accounts and cheques for payment

Current Account As at 31st August 2020 £ 17095.52

Business Account “ “ “ £ 5722.39

001184	£536.55	Clerk
001185	139.52	Litter Picker
001186	136.80	ROSPA Inspection
001187	190.00	Grounds Maintenance

Proposed: Cllr. Millband Seconded: Cllr. Barrie

All Agreed

7.1.2 Spread Sheet

The spread sheet had been sent prior to the meeting for consideration. (available on request from the Clerk whilst the website is down.

7.2 Asset list

Cllr. Jenkins has updated the Asset List and this will be reviewed again in May 2021.

7.3 Correspondence/Communications

Agreed: Clerk to send documentation to Cllr. Jenkins as a new Councillor as the usual induction not able to happen due to Covid. These documents should be available on the website but the site currently not accessible due to technical issues with LCC 3rd party technical services.

Cllr. David Kiteley has now resigned.

Agreed: Clerk to inform Electoral Services.

7.4 Websites

It is not possible to access the old website and the new site will be live asap.

Cllr. Charles to look into administering Martin's own website.

8. Reports from Representatives

8.1 Finance Group

A general discussion took place discussing the various options to respond to the concerns/request from the Parish. The Council were disappointed not to be able to have the planned Parish Meeting in May 2020 due to Covid when a consultation would have taken place.

Agreed:

Signed:

Current considerations include: new SIDS for each end of the village, village gates, to address the speeding concerns, park equipment and possibly a bus shelter.

Agreed: The group to continue to meet and report back to the full council with proposals.

8.2 Village Hall

Agreed: Cllr. Jenkins is now the rep on the VHC and will report back to the Council.

9. Agenda Items for next meeting

Emergency Plan

Grass Cutting

Precept

10. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 17th November 2020 at 7.30 Martin Village Hall

Agreed:

Signed: